

## ***EAST STOKE PARISH COUNCIL***

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EAST STOKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 5<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2012

PRESENT                      Cllr Karen Barnes, Vice Chairman  
                                    Cllr Tib Axon  
                                    Cllr Neill Child  
                                    Cllr Christine Evans  
                                    Cllr Adrian Naylor

APOLOGIES                      Cllr Rebecca Cady, Chairman  
                                    Cllr Barry Quinn (District Councillor)

IN ATTENDANCE              County Cllr Mike Lovell  
                                    Julie Wright (Parish Clerk)  
                                    4 Members of the Public

**1 Public Participation Time**

No one had any items that they wished to raise during the public participation period.

**2 Apologies for absence**

Apologies were approved for Cllr Rebecca Cady and Cllr Barry Quinn.

**3 Declarations of personal or prejudicial interest in any items on the agenda.**

Cllr Naylor declared an interest in agenda item 19) Donation towards the tarmacing of Primrose Lane.

**4 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2011**

It was resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> December were approved as a true account of the meeting and were signed.

**5 Matters arising from minutes of the last meeting**  
**None.**

**6 Planning applications**

No planning applications have been received since the last meeting. There is an application on the website for an extension at 'Essenjays', Bindon Lane.

**7 Previous Planning Application Updates**

- a) **6/2011/0627** – Longthorns (Monkey World Ape Rescue Centre), East Stoke. Erect replacement Siamang Gibbon house. **Approved.**
- b) **6/2011/0141** - Gallows Hill (Masters North Sand Pit), East Stoke, BH20 7PL. Importation and processing of construction, demolition and excavated wastes for the production and sale of recycled and blended aggregates and soils. The rationalisation and improvement of the road access onto the Puddletown Road. **Permission GRANTED.**

## 8 **East Stoke Level Crossing**

There was nothing to report. This item will only be put on the agenda if there is any new information to report.

## 9 **Reports from County and District Councillors**

### a) County Cllr Lovell

Damory is to take off the 103 bus route.

### b) District Cllr Quinn

No report.

## 10 **Police Update**

PCSO Hann reported that it was quiet over Christmas and the New Year. Crime has fallen over the last 2/3 months in the west of Wareham area. A query was raised if the Olympic torch would come through East Stoke on the A352  
Bestival will take place this year over the last weekend in July.

## 11 **River Frome Issues**

a) Mr Steve Mephram had replied regarding the blocked culvert at the Old Holme Bridge. The Bridges and Structures team will not be taking any action to remove the silt. Clearance of ditches upstream and downstream is the responsibility of the riparian owner.

b) Alasdair Maxwell had telephoned the Clerk regarding the email sent asking for clarification over the River Frome Rehabilitation Plan and the Environment Agency recruiting people to manage flood risk.

River Frome Rehabilitation Plan - If trees that have fallen in the river will cause an increase in flood risk to property then they will be removed. The plan for rehabilitation is to reverse any damage done and improve the physical condition of the river (improve biodiversity) but Mr Maxwell did state that there would be risk assessments carried out and that there will be no increase in flood risk to property.

Mr Maxwell did not know about the article in the Echo so this will be forwarded on to him.

Due to new legislation there is a new flood risk manager at DCC, Brian Richards. Mr Maxwell suggests that the PC contact him regarding flooding and asked if we'd considered making a flood plan. Nick Reed at the Environment Agency can help with flood plans.

**Action:** The Clerk will send Mr Maxwell the article from the Dorset Echo.

**Action:** The Clerk will contact Brian Richards at DCC about this issue.

It was agreed to invite Alasdair Maxwell and Brian Richards to the Annual Parish Meeting in May.

## 12 **Parish Land Tenancy and Registration of the Parish Land**

Nothing to report.

## 13 **Emergency Email Address List**

Contacts have been sent to the Clerk.

It was felt that this list could be used for surveys/questionnaire too rather than just for bad weather and changes to the waste/recycling collections.

#### **14 Highways Issues**

a) Holme Lane and Manor Lane signs

It was noted that the Lane name plates have been erected.

b) Grips and drain clearance

All the drains have been cleared in Holme, Bindon and Binnegar Lane.

c) Side verging on A352 footpath

Some work has been carried out on the A352 footpath. Any further works will not take place as DCC Highways is not in a position to spend money on this work at the moment, however they will continue to monitor the situation and hopefully in the new financial year it may be possible to allocate some money on a larger scheme of works here.

d) Community Response Teams

The Community Response Teams visit this month but there were no items of work to put forward.

e) Other Highways/Footpath Issues

An email had been received from Jenny Penney regarding the removal of Himalayan Balsam in East Stoke Fenn Nature Reserve. This work will take place next year just before the plant decides to seed; it is then pulled up before the seeds can spread. If this is done continuously every year it can make a positive impact.

#### **15 Finger post at East Stoke Crossing**

The Chairman read out an email from Jenny Penney. The fingerposts have not been made up yet, but they are still with the contractor who was getting a new machine to make up the finger posts. It is hoped that they will be made up soon and installed by February 2012.

#### **16 Grit Bins**

The three grit bins have been delivered.

**Action:** The clerk will ask Mr Steve Mephram to liaise with Cllr Mrs Karen Barnes regarding the filling of these bins as we do not want to install them until they are going to be filled.

#### **17 Consultations or items for consideration**

a) Draft consultation document 'Supporting People Partnership Strategy for Dorset' this includes Changes to Supporting People programme at the National level and in Dorset. The closing date is 13<sup>th</sup> January 2012.

b) Synergy Housing Survey to shape community investment programme

This form had been completed by the Clerk.

#### **18 Churchyard water butt**

Cllr Axon reported that the Churchyard tap was running again (21<sup>st</sup> December) and could not be turned off. Cllr Axon has filled some plastic bottles with water as the tap was turned off by Mr Ron Axon at the stopcock. The water butt needs to be installed.

This item will remain on the agenda until the water butt is installed.

- 19 **Donation** towards the retarmacing of Primrose Lane  
It was agreed to put £700 in the budget towards the donation towards the retarmacing of Primrose Lane.

20 **Correspondence Received**

All of the following items of correspondence were circulated prior to the meeting and noted.

- a) A letter from Cllr Mrs Lindsey Dedden, Chairman DAPTC, about the membership of the DAPTC and the services they provide to Parish and Town Councils.
- b) Dorset Highways Winter Service Plan 2011/12.
- c) Minutes from the Purbeck Olympic Networking Meeting.
- d) DCC Capital maintenance Programme of works 2012/13. This includes the Capital Maintenance Programme, some maintenance works to be programmed and the Surface dressing programme. Dressing works may take place from West Holme to East Lulworth.

21 **Finance**

a) **Invoices and payments**

Payee	Amount	Cheque number
DAPTC (New Cllr Seminar)	£20.00	000335
DAPTC (Clerk's Seminar)	£30.00	000336
Wareham and Purbeck Young Farmers Club	£953.00	000340

It was **resolved** that the above payment schedule was approved.

b) **Quotation for the extra work required for the fencing of the Parish Land**

The quotation for the extra fencing work from the Young Farmer's was received.

**Action:** Cllr Barnes will get two more quotes for this extra fencing work.

c) **Third Quarter Budget Report** – 31<sup>st</sup> December 2011

The third quarter budget report was **noted**.

d) **Budget 2012/13**

The revised draft budget was considered and approved.

It was proposed by Cllr Barnes and seconded by Cllr Naylor that the precept for 2012/13 would be £6,000.00. This was unanimously approved and **resolved**.

22 **Matters for information and/ or inclusion on next Agenda**

None

23 **Dates of Next Year's Parish Council Meetings**

The Parish Council meetings will be held on the first Thursday of the month.

24 **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2012 at 7pm.

With no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.02pm.

Chairman:.....

Date:.....